of the foreigners in the North-Eastern States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have received any request from certain North-Eastern States to ease restrictions on movement of the foreigners to boost tourism in these States; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF THE MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH): (a) and (b) Due to various reasons like proximity to the international border, law and order situation, elements of insurgency etc., there are some restrictions on the entry and movement of foreigners in the North Eastern States (except Assam, Meghalaya and Tripura) under the Foreigners (Protected Areas) Order, 1958.

(c) and (d) A reference was received by the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) from the Ministry of Tourism suggesting lifting of restrictions on the entry and stay of foreigners in the North-Eastern Region in a phased manner. The Ministry of Tourism has since been advised by MHA to send specific proposal to them after consultation with the concerned State Governments.

Fund accumulated in NLCPR

630. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH-EASTERN REGION to pleased be state:

(a) the funds accumulated in NLCPR out of the savings of each department of the Central Government in the tune of 10 per cent accrued during the year 2003-04;

(b) the details of the amount due to be transferred to NLCPR;

(c) the amount distributed to different States of the North-Eastern Region out of NLCPR during 2003-04 and 2004-05; and

(d) the amount actually spent by the States?

THE MINISTER OF THE MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH) (a) The Opening Balance under NLCPR as on 01.04.2003 was Rs. 3673.27 crore.

(b) The Budgetary Provision under NLCPR was Rs. 550 crore for the year 2003-04 and Rs. 650 crore for 2004-05 are as under.

(c) and (d) the details of the amount released to different States out of NLCPR and the expenditure incurred by the States under NLCPR during 2003-04 and 2004-05 are as under:

(Amount in crore rupees)

State	2003-04		2004-05	
	Amount Released	Amount Spent	Amount Released	Amount Spent
Arunachal Pradesh	61.19	46.49	39.43	18.65
Assam	113.94	76.21	233.30	68.09
Manipur	18.05	52.41	43.69	23.58
Meghalaya	49.99	16.83	14.54	48.95
Mizoram	99.55	99.55	29.95	15.13
Nagaland	84.17	78.30	73.06	42.13
Sikkim	53.24	48.81	59.75	31.02
Tripura	69.87	78.69	69.04	85.47
Total	**550.00**	**497.29**	**562.76**	**333.02**

Revival of PSU in Kerala

631. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any ailing Public Sector Unit is functioning in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government consider to revive such ailing PSUs; and

(d) whether the Government have formulated any revival and developmental schemes for the fertilizers and chemicals in Travancore, Kerala and if so, the stage at which the implementation of such schemes stands at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (d) The National Common Minimum Programme (NCMP) provided that the UPA Government is committed to a strong and effective public sector. While every effort will be made to modernize and restructure public sector companies and revive sick industries, chronically loss-making companies will either be sold or closed after all workers get their legitimate dues and compensation. A Board for Reconstruction of Public Sector Enterprises